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BOONVILLE MAN INDICTED FOR DEFRAUDING U.S. RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Boonville, Mo., man was indicted by a federal grand jury today for defrauding the United States Railroad Retirement Board.

Robert M. Huff, 59, of Boonville, was charged in a two-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Jefferson City.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that **Huff** falsely reported to the United States Railroad Retirement Board on Oct. 19, 2004, that he was not employed in order to receive disability benefits. The indictment alleges that **Huff** was employed and therefore not eligible to receive the assistance.

Count Two of the federal indictment alleges that **Huff** illegally received the disability insurance benefit payments with the intent to convert them to his own use from June 1999 through November 2004.

Graves cautioned that the charges contained in the indictment are simply accusations, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charges must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Jim Lynn. The case was investigated by the United States Railroad Retirement Board and the Boonville, Mo., Police Department.

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